NORMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT CADET DIALOGUE WITH THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

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March 2, 2015

The cadets of the 52nd Norman Police Department hosted a dialogue with the Human Rights Commission at 11:45 a.m. in the patrol briefing room of the Norman Police Department located at 201 W. Gray, Building B. Notice of the dialogue was timely posted at City Hall and at the Norman Police Department. The dialogue was open to the public. Although the dialogue was not a regularly scheduled meeting of the Human Rights Commission, a quorum of the Commission was present; therefore, a summary of the dialogue is recorded as required by the Open Meeting Act.

PRESENT: Commissioners Kay Ham, Harry Wright, Marjaneh

Seraifi-Pour, Mary Drywater, and Daniel Dukes

ABSENT: Commissioners Jose Dela Cruz, Lupe Davidson,

Tamara Pullin, and Amyie Kao

Lieutenant Lance Arnold of the Norman Police Department welcomed everyone to the dialogue. Community Oriented Policing, adopted by the Norman Police Department, is an organizational strategy that allows police and community residents to work closely together in new ways to solve the problems of crime, fear of crime, physical and social disorder. In keeping with this philosophy, part of the curriculum for the Norman Police Academy cadets is to meet with various stakeholders within the community to foster relationships and gain a greater understanding of the organizations and how they might work together to achieve a better community. Chairman Kay Ham explained the duties of the Commission and discussed the work the Commission has completed over the past few years. The Commissioners introduced themselves, discussed current human rights issues facing the City of Norman, and answered questions from the cadets. Norman Police Chief Keith Humphrey thanked everyone for attending and provided closing remarks.